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2018 FARM PRODUCTION EXPENDITURES DOWN 7 PERCENT

MANHATTAN, Kan. August 2, 2019 - Farm and ranch production expenditures for Kansas totaled \$17.3 billion in 2018, down 7 percent from a year earlier, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Livestock expenses, the largest expenditure category, at \$6.38 billion, decreased 3 percent from 2017. Feed, the next largest expense category, at \$2.30 billion, decreased 12 percent from 2017. Rent, the third largest total expense category at \$1.32 billion, decreased 3 percent from 2017.

Livestock expenses accounted for 37 percent of Kansas's total production expenditures. Feed accounted for 13, rent 8, and farm services 8 percent.

The total expenditures per farm or ranch in Kansas averaged \$293,039 in 2018, down 8 percent from 2017. The Livestock expense category was the leading expenditure, at \$108,319 per operation, 4.73 times the national average. Feed expenditures, at \$39,049 per operation, were \$12,427 above the national average. Fertilizer and soil conditioners, at \$16,469, were \$4,989 above the national average. The average rent expenditure, at \$22,411, was \$8,160 above the national average.

These results are based on data from Kansas farmers and ranchers who participated in the Agricultural Resource Management Study conducted by USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Producers were contacted in January through April to collect 2018 farm and ranch expenses.

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